GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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MANUFACTURE OF MOBILE PHONES COMMUNICATION NETWORK EQUIPMENT
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Finland-based company has set up its unit to manufacture mobile phones and communication network equipment at Bangalore;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the annual production of the company;

(d) whether other countries have also shown interest in setting up their units to manufacture communication network equipment;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the number of countries given permission for the same?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) to (c) Yes, Sir. M/s Elcoteq Electronics India Pvt. Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of M/s Elcoteq Network Corporation, Finland, has established an Electronic Manufacturing Service(EMS) unit at Bangalore. The products to be manufactured bv the company would include handsets, wireless devices and communications network equipment. The Elcoteq facility was inaugurated recently, therefore, it is premature to give annual production of the company.

((d) to (f) some of the companies from Sweden, South Korea, Finland, China etc. have made certain announcement in the media showing their intent to manufacture telecommunications equipment in India. No specific permission is required from the Government for undertaking manufacture of telecommunications equipment.